

bracket with the controls set for automatic activation and be mounted in a manner so that it will float free if the vessel sinks.

#### § 199.520 Lifeboat requirements.

When the vessel's lifeboats are used to carry persons to and from the vessel in a harbor or at an anchorage, the survival craft remaining on the vessel must have an aggregate capacity sufficient to accommodate all persons remaining on board.

### Subpart F—Exemptions and Alternatives for Vessels Not Subject to SOLAS

#### § 199.600 General.

This subpart sets out specific exemptions and alternatives to requirements in subparts A, B, C, D, and E of this part for vessels not subject to SOLAS.

#### § 199.610 Exemptions for vessels in specified services.

(a) *All vessels.* Vessels operating in coastwise; Great Lakes; lakes, bays, and sounds; and rivers service are ex-

empt from requirements in subparts A through E of this part as specified in this paragraph and in table 199.610(a) of this section.

(1) *Non-self propelled vessels.* Non-self propelled vessels need not meet the EPIRB requirement in § 199.510 and the rescue boat requirements in §§ 199.202 or 199.262 if they are in tow, moored to or alongside a MODU or a self-propelled vessel, or moored to shore.

(2) *Vessels operating on short runs.* The distress signals requirement in § 199.60(c) need not be met if the vessel operates on a route with a duration of 30 minutes or less.

(3) *Vessels operating in shallow water.* The float-free link described in §§ 199.175(b)(21)(ii)(B) and 199.640(j)(4)(E) is not required if the vessel operates on a route on which the water depth is never more than the length of the painter.

(4) *Vessels operating in fresh water.* The survival craft fall renewal described in § 199.190(j) is not required if the vessel operates on a fresh water route and inspection shows that the falls are not damaged by corrosion.

TABLE 199.610(a).—EXEMPTIONS FOR ALL VESSELS IN SPECIFIED SERVICES

Section or paragraph in this part	Service			
	Coastwise	Great Lakes	Lakes, bays, and sounds	Rivers
199.60(c): Distress signals .....	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Exempt	Exempt.
199.70(a)(3)(iii): Lifebuoys fitted with smoke signals .....	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt.
199.70(b)(1)(i): Carriage of additional child-size lifejackets ..	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1).
199.70(b)(4)(i): Lifejacket lights .....	(2)	(2)	Exempt	Exempt.
199.70(b)(4)(ii): Lifejacket whistles .....	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt.
199.70(c): Immersion suits for rescue boat crew members ..	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Exempt	Exempt.
199.70(c)(4)(iii): Immersion suit whistles .....	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt.
199.100(c)(1): Requirements for person-in-charge of survival craft.	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Exempt.
199.100(d): Designation of second-in-command of survival craft.	(3)	(3)	(3)	Exempt.
199.100(f): Embarkation ladders at launching stations .....	(4)	(4)	(4)	(4).
199.130(a)(4): Survival craft embarkation position .....	Not Exempt	Not Exempt	Exempt	Exempt.
199.170: Line-throwing appliance .....	Not Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt.
199.510: EPIRB requirement .....	(5)	(6)	Exempt	Exempt.

#### Notes:

(1) Exempt if the vessel does not carry persons smaller than the lower size limit of the lifejackets carried.

(2) Exempt if the vessel is a ferry or has no overnight accommodations.

(3) Exempt if the survival craft has a carrying capacity of less than 40 persons.

(4) Exempt if the distance is less than 3 meters (10 feet) from the embarkation deck to the water with the vessel in its lightest seagoing operating condition.

(5) Exempt if the vessel is a cargo vessel under 300 tons gross tonnage and operates on a route no more than 3 nautical miles from shore.

(6) Exempt if the vessel operates on a route no more than 3 nautical miles from shore.

(b) *Passenger vessels.* In addition to the exemptions in paragraph (a) of this section, passenger vessels operating in

coastwise; Great Lakes; lakes, bays, and sounds; and rivers service are exempt from requirements in subparts A